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C O N F I D E N T I A L LUSAKA 1473

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ZA OVIP (KAUNDA, KENNETH) EFIN EAID UK

SUBJ: KAUNDA'S PLANS TO VISIT UK ON THE WAY TO U.S.

1. PRESIDENT KAUNDA HAS WRITTEN PRIME MINISTER CALLAGHAN  
SUGGESTING THAT HE STOP OVER IN THE UK FOR TALKS ON  
MAY 14-15 PRIOR TO HIS ARRIVAL IN THE U.S. ON THE 16TH.  
THE BRITISH HAVE NOT YET RESPONDED TO THIS SUGGESTION.

2. KAUNDA'S PROPOSAL FOLLOWS A REQUEST MADE BY FINANCE  
MINISTER MWANAKATWE TO THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR  
HELP IN SUPPORTING THE PROPOSED ZAMBIAN STANDBY LOAN IN  
THE IMF AND IN RESCHEDULING SOME OF ZAMBIA'S DEBTS.  
SUBSEQUENTLY MWANAKATWE TOGETHER WITH HIS PERMANENT SECRETARY  
AND CENTRAL BANK GOVERNOR MWANANKHIKU TRAVELLED TO THE UK FOR  
DISCUSSIONS OF ASSISTANCE LEVELS AND DEBT RESCHEDULING. THE  
BRITISH DID NOT ON THIS OCCASION SPECIFY AN ASSISTANCE LEVEL,  
PREFERRING TO AWAIT THE CONSULTATIVE GROUP MEETING SCHEDULE FOR  
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3. THE BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION HERE BELIEVES THAT ZAMBIA'S  
FINANCIAL PROBLEMS ARE OF SUCH AN ORDER THAT EVEN WITH  
THE IMF STANDBY IT CANNOT WAIT UNTIL JUNE FOR SUPPLE-  
MENTARY COMMITMENTS OF ASSISTANCE FROM FRIENDLY  
WESTERN NATIONS. THUS KAUNDA'S VISIT IS INTENDED TO

PRESS THE BRITISH TO COME UP WITH A SPECIFIC COMMIT-  
MENT LEVEL FOR FUTURE ASSISTANCE IN ORDER TO CREATE AN  
ATMOSPHERE OF CONFIDENCE IN ZAMBIA'S ECONOMIC FUTURE  
SUFFICIENT TO GET THINGS MOVING AGAIN. THE NEED FOR  
SUCH ACTION BY KAUNDA IS OF COURSE REINFORCED BY THE  
UPCOMING ELECTIONS LATER THIS YEAR. LOW UNQUOTE  
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